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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

TOSHIYUKI UMEDA, ET AL.

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FOR: FREQUENCY CONVERTER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Title on page 1 as follows:

FREQUENCY CONVERTER HAVING LOW SUPPLY VOLTAGE

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 4-9, with the following amended paragraph:

This application is based upon and claims the benefit of priority from the prior Japanese Patent Applications No. 2001-266647, filed September 4, 2001; and No. 2002-210565, filed July 19, 2002, and from U.S. Application No. 10/207,024, filed July 30, 2002, the entire contents of both of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Favorable consideration of this application, in light of the present amendment and

following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4 are pending. Claims 1-4 are newly added into the specification. Support

for new Claims 1-4 may be found, for example, at page 18 of the specification. It is therefore

respectfully submitted that no new matter is added by Claims 1-4.

The specification has been amended to amend the title and include U.S. priority

information.

Consequently, in view of the foregoing discussion and present amendment, it is

respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for examination. An early and

favorable action is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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